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OCTOBER 23, 1972

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FOR: HENRY A. KISSINGER

FROM: AL HAIG

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INSTRUCTIONS APPLY

REFERENCE: HAK TO 55

THANK YOU FOR HAK TO 55. THERE IS A MISUNDERSTANDING CAUSED BY AN ERROR IN NOTING TIME OF ROGERS MEETING. I MEANT TO SUGGEST THAT YOU MIGHT WISH TO HAVE LAIRD WITH ROGERS AT 10:00 A.M.

THE KRAEMER MEETING IS TOTALLY UNRELATED TO SOUTHEAST ASIA. AS I POINTED OUT STEVE BULL AND PARKER MERELY GAVE US A TIME FOR KRAEMER TO SEE THE PRESIDENT BASED ON AN ARTICLE WRITTEN BY NICK THIMMESCH WHICH DISCUSSES THE KRAEMER FAMILY AND THEIR RELATIONSHIP TO YOU. THIS IS NOTHING BUT A PERIPHERAL PRESIDENTIAL SCHEDULE ITEM. I WAS TOTALLY UNAWARE OF IT UNTIL YESTERDAY WHEN I SAW A MEMO FROM PARKER ENCLOSING A COPY OF THE THIMMESCH ARTICLE AND STATING THAT THE PRESIDENT WISHED TO SEE KRAEMER. TODAY WE WERE GIVE THE 11:00 A.M. TIME AND I TOLD BULL YOU WOULD ACCOMPANY KRAEMER INTO THE PRESIDENT.

THE QUESTION ABOUT THE LAIRD MEETING CAME FROM ADMIRAL MURPHY WHO STATED THAT SECRETARY LAIRD WOULD LIKE TO TALK TO YOU BEFORE HE LEAVES FOR EUROPE ON WEDNESDAY. I INTENDED TO SUGGEST THAT YOU MIGHT INCLUDE HIM IN THE 10:00 A.M. MEETING WITH ROGERS NOT THE 11:00 A.M. WITH KRAEMER. I MADE THIS SUGGESTION BECAUSE A LARGE PART OF THIS WEEK'S WORK WAS DONE BY DEFENSE. THEY PERFORMED IN SUPERIOR FASHION BOTH IN CRANKING UP AND WINDING DOWN LOGISTICS MATTERS.

WARM REGARDS

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